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Note verbale dated 7 June 2007 from the Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006), and has the honour to enclose herewith a report on the latest measures taken by the Government of the United Arab Emirates for the implementation of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007) (see annex), which includes the list of banking accounts that have been frozen to that effect by the Central Bank of the UAE.

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Annex to the note verbale dated 7 June 2007 from the Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

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Reply of the Government of the United Arab Emirates regarding the implementation of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007) addressed to the Committee established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1737 (2006)

The Government of the United Arab Emirates would like to emphasize its commitment to the implementation of all provisions of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007), particularly paragraphs 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7 thereof. In that regard, the Government has circulated the resolution to all authorities concerned with its implementation as follows:

Paragraph 2

The Government of the United Arab Emirates, through the Ministry of the Interior, has advised all the relevant general directorates of the Ministry to exercise caution regarding the entry into or transit through the territory of the State of individuals who are engaged in, directly associated with or providing support for proliferation-sensitive nuclear activities or the development of nuclear-weapon delivery systems. There are no indications that the persons identified in the annex to resolution 1737 (2006) have entered into or transited through the territory of the United Arab Emirates.

The United Arab Emirates would like to emphasize that, pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006), it will inform the Committee of the entry of any other individuals that either the Council or the Committee further identifies, including individuals who are engaged in, directly associated with or providing support for proliferation-sensitive nuclear activities or the development of nuclear-weapon delivery systems.

Paragraph 4

The Government of the United Arab Emirates, through the Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates, has issued notice No. 1170/2007 of 1 April 2007 in which it ordered all banks, exchange bureaux, investment and financing companies and other financing institutions operating in the State to:

1. Freeze any accounts or deposits held in the names of the designated persons or entities and cease executing transfers on their behalf;

2. Refrain from entering into new commitments for grants, financial assistance, and concessional loans to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, except for humanitarian and developmental purposes. (See annex on the result of the freeze order.)*

In that regard, the Government of the United Arab Emirates intends to lift the freeze imposed on commercial debit accounts held at six banks operating in the

* Annex is on file with the Secretariat and is available for consultation.

country (these are credit facilities, such as letters of credit and export invoice discounts, extended to Bank Sepah by banks operating in the country). The freeze will be lifted on the basis of paragraph 15 of resolution 1737 (2006) and pursuant to paragraph 4 of resolution 1747 (2007).

The Government would like to emphasize that the continued compliance of financial institutions with Security Council resolution 1747 (2007) has been added to its regular monitoring activities and that all new companies that have applied for licensing have been informed of their obligation to comply with that resolution.

The Government of the United Arab Emirates, through the Federal Customs Authority, has instructed all customs offices to honour the commitment that there should be no purchase or transfer directly or indirectly from the territory of the State, or by its subjects, whether citizens or residents, or through the use of its flag vessels or aircraft, of any arms or related materiel, whether or not originating in the territory of Iran.

Paragraph 6

The Government of the United Arab Emirates, through the Federal Customs Authority and the Ministry of Economy, has instructed all customs offices, economic agencies, the Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and free zones to implement this paragraph and exercise caution in the supply, sale or transfer directly or indirectly of arms or materiel and to honour the commitment not to provide to Iran any technical assistance or training, financial assistance, investment, brokering or other services, and not to transfer financial resources or services related to the supply, sale, transfer, manufacture or use of such items.

Paragraph 7

The Government of the United Arab Emirates, through the Central Bank and the Ministry of Economy, has undertaken to implement this paragraph and has instructed all relevant authorities not to enter into new commitments for grants, financial assistance, and loans.